

MODEL ANSWERS TO THE EIGHTH HOMEWORK

1. We have

(a) If

$$y = \arctan x \quad \text{then} \quad x = \tan y \quad \text{so that} \quad \frac{dx}{dy} = \sec^2 y = 1 + \tan^2 y$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{1}{1 + \tan^2 y} \\ &= \frac{1}{1 + x^2}. \end{aligned}$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial \psi} \left(2 \arctan \left(\frac{1+r}{1-r} \tan \frac{\psi}{2} \right) \right) &= 2 \frac{\partial}{\partial \psi} \left(\frac{1+r}{1-r} \tan \frac{\psi}{2} \right) \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{1+r}{1-r} \tan \frac{\psi}{2} \right)^2} \\ &= \frac{\frac{1+r}{1-r} \sec^2 \frac{\psi}{2}}{1 + \left(\frac{1+r}{1-r} \tan \frac{\psi}{2} \right)^2} \\ &= \frac{1-r^2}{(1-r)^2 \cos^2 \frac{\psi}{2} + (1+r)^2 \sin^2 \frac{\psi}{2}} \\ &= \frac{1-r^2}{1 + 2r(\sin^2 \frac{\psi}{2} - \cos^2 \frac{\psi}{2}) + r^2} \\ &= \frac{1-r^2}{1 - 2r \cos \psi + r^2} \\ &= P_r(\psi). \end{aligned}$$

(b) Note that

$$\tan \frac{2\pi - \theta}{2} = -\tan \frac{\theta}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad \tan \frac{\pi - \theta}{2} = \cot \frac{\theta}{2}.$$

Note also that

$$\begin{aligned} \tan \alpha + \cot \alpha &= \frac{\sin \alpha}{\cos \alpha} + \frac{\cos \alpha}{\sin \alpha} \\ &= \frac{\cos^2 \alpha + \sin^2 \alpha}{\cos \alpha \sin \alpha} \\ &= \frac{2}{\sin 2\alpha}. \end{aligned}$$

Suppose that $x = \arctan a$ and $y = \arctan b$ so that $a = \tan x$ and $b = \tan y$. We have

$$\begin{aligned}\tan(x - y) &= \frac{\tan x - \tan y}{1 + \tan x \tan y} \\ &= \frac{a - b}{1 + ab}.\end{aligned}$$

It follows that

$$\arctan a - \arctan b = \arctan \left(\frac{a - b}{1 + ab} \right).$$

If we put

$$a = \frac{1+r}{1-r} \tan \frac{2\pi - \theta}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad b = \frac{1+r}{1-r} \tan \frac{\pi - \theta}{2}$$

then

$$\begin{aligned}a - b &= \frac{1+r}{1-r} \tan \frac{2\pi - \theta}{2} - \frac{1+r}{1-r} \tan \frac{\pi - \theta}{2} \\ &= -\frac{1+r}{1-r} \left(\tan \frac{\theta}{2} + \cot \frac{\theta}{2} \right).\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}ab &= \frac{1+r}{1-r} \tan \frac{2\pi - \theta}{2} \frac{1+r}{1-r} \tan \frac{\pi - \theta}{2} \\ &= -\frac{(1+r)^2}{(1-r)^2}.\end{aligned}$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned}\tan(x - y) &= \frac{a - b}{1 + ab} \\ &= \frac{(1+r)(1-r) \left(\tan \frac{\theta}{2} + \cot \frac{\theta}{2} \right)}{(1+r)^2 - (1-r)^2} \\ &= \frac{1-r^2}{2r \sin \theta}.\end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\arctan \left(\frac{1+r}{1-r} \tan \frac{2\pi - \theta}{2} \right) - \arctan \left(\frac{1+r}{1-r} \tan \frac{\pi - \theta}{2} \right) = \arctan \left(\frac{1-r^2}{2r \sin \theta} \right).$$

2. Let

$$g(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(e^{i\phi}) \frac{e^{i\phi} + z}{e^{i\phi} - z} d\phi + iv(0).$$

Then $g(z)$ is holomorphic on the unit disk, as it is the line integral of a continuous function.

Consider taking the real part of both sides of the equation above for $g(z)$. If $w = e^{i\phi}$ then (19.2.b) implies that

$$\begin{aligned} P_r(\phi - \theta) &= \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{w + z}{w - z} \right) \\ &= \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{e^{i\phi} + z}{e^{i\phi} - z} \right). \end{aligned}$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re} g(z) &= \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(e^{i\phi}) \frac{e^{i\phi} + z}{e^{i\phi} - z} d\phi + iv(0) \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(e^{i\phi}) \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{e^{i\phi} + z}{e^{i\phi} - z} \right) d\phi \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(e^{i\phi}) P_r(\phi - \theta) d\phi \\ &= u(z). \end{aligned}$$

As both $v(z)$ and $\operatorname{Im} g(z)$ are harmonic conjugates of $u(z)$, it follows that the difference is a constant. But

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Im} g(0) &= \operatorname{Im} \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(e^{i\phi}) \frac{e^{i\phi}}{e^{i\phi}} d\phi + iv(0) \right) \\ &= \operatorname{Im} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(e^{i\phi}) d\phi + v(0) \\ &= v(0). \end{aligned}$$

Thus $\operatorname{Im} g(0) = v(0)$ and so $f(z) = g(z)$.

3. (a) Note that

$$\tan \frac{\pi/2 - \theta}{2} = \frac{1 - \tan \frac{\theta}{2}}{1 + \tan \frac{\theta}{2}}.$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned}
\pi u(r, \theta) &= \int_0^{2\pi} P_r(\phi - \theta) h(e^{i\phi}) d\phi \\
&= \int_0^{\pi/2} P_r(\phi - \theta) d\phi \\
&= \arctan \left(\frac{1+r}{1-r} \tan \frac{\pi/2 - \theta}{2} \right) - \arctan \left(\frac{1+r}{1-r} \tan \frac{-\theta}{2} \right) \\
&= \arctan \left(\frac{(1-r^2) \left(\tan \frac{\theta}{2} + \frac{1 - \tan \frac{\theta}{2}}{1 + \tan \frac{\theta}{2}} \right)}{(1-r)^2 - (1+r)^2 \tan \frac{\theta}{2} \frac{1 - \tan \frac{\theta}{2}}{1 + \tan \frac{\theta}{2}}} \right) \\
&= \arctan \left(\frac{(1-r^2) \left(\tan \frac{\theta}{2} (1 + \tan \frac{\theta}{2}) + 1 - \tan \frac{\theta}{2} \right)}{(1-r)^2 (1 + \tan \frac{\theta}{2}) - (1+r)^2 \tan \frac{\theta}{2} (1 - \tan \frac{\theta}{2})} \right) \\
&= \arctan \left(\frac{(1-r^2) (\tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} + 1)}{(r^2 + 1) (\tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} + 1) - 4r \tan \frac{\theta}{2} + 2r (\tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} - 1)} \right) \\
&= \arctan \left(\frac{(1-r^2) \sec^2 \frac{\theta}{2}}{(r^2 + 1) \sec^2 \frac{\theta}{2} - 4r \tan \frac{\theta}{2} + 2r (\tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} - 1)} \right) \\
&= \arctan \left(\frac{1-r^2}{r^2 + 1 - 4r \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \sin \frac{\theta}{2} - 2r (\cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} - \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2})} \right) \\
&= \arctan \left(\frac{1-r^2}{r^2 + 1 - 2r \sin \theta - 2r \cos \theta} \right) \\
&= \arctan \left(\frac{1-x^2-y^2}{x^2+y^2-2y-2x+1} \right) \\
&= \arctan \left(\frac{1-x^2-y^2}{(x-1)^2 + (y-1)^2 - 1} \right).
\end{aligned}$$

(b) Notice that the

$$\beta: \Delta \longrightarrow \mathbb{H} \quad \text{given by} \quad \beta(z) = (1-i) \frac{z-i}{z-1}$$

sends 1 to ∞ , i to 0 and -1 to 1 .

This gives us the problem of finding a harmonic function on the upper half plane with boundary conditions 0 if the real part is positive and 1 if the real part is negative. We already saw that this has solution

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \arctan \left(\frac{v}{u} \right),$$

where $w = u + iv$.

Now

$$\begin{aligned}
w &= (1-i) \frac{z-i}{z-1} \\
&= (1-i) \frac{(z-i)(\bar{z}-1)}{|z-1|^2} \\
&= (1-i) \frac{i+|z|^2-z-i\bar{z}}{|z-1|^2} \\
&= \frac{1+i+|z|^2-i|z|^2-z+iz-\bar{z}-i\bar{z}}{|z-1|^2} \\
&= \frac{1+i+|z|^2-i|z|^2-2\operatorname{Re}(z)-2\operatorname{Im}(z)}{|z-1|^2} \\
&= \frac{1+x^2+y^2-2x-2y+i(1-x^2-y^2)}{2x^2+2(y-1)^2} \\
&= \frac{(x-1)^2+(y-1)^2-1+i(-1+x^2+y^2)}{2x^2+2(y+1)^2} \\
&= u+iv.
\end{aligned}$$

This gives the solution

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \arctan \left(\frac{1-x^2-y^2}{(x-1)^2+(y-1)^2-1} \right) \quad \text{where} \quad \arctan t \in [0, \pi]$$

4. It is tempting to try to be clever and to adapt the solution from (3) to handle the general case. This consists of simply writing down a biholomorphic map from the unit disk to itself that sends i to $e^{2i\theta_0}$ and fixes 1. This seems like a sensible strategy but the actual computation seems to be quite messy.

Instead it is surprisingly straightforward to compute the Poisson integral formula.

Note that

$$\tan \frac{2\theta_0 - \theta}{2} = \frac{y_0 - \tan \frac{\theta}{2}}{1 + y_0 \tan \frac{\theta}{2}},$$

where $y_0 = \tan \theta_0$.

We have

$$\begin{aligned}
\pi u(r, \theta) &= \int_0^{2\pi} P_r(\phi - \theta) h(e^{i\phi}) d\phi \\
&= \int_0^{2\theta_0} P_r(\phi - \theta) d\phi \\
&= \arctan\left(\frac{1+r}{1-r} \tan \frac{2\theta_0 - \theta}{2}\right) - \arctan\left(\frac{1+r}{1-r} \tan \frac{-\theta}{2}\right) \\
&= \arctan\left(\frac{(1-r^2)\left(\tan \frac{\theta}{2} + \frac{y_0 - \tan \frac{\theta}{2}}{1 + y_0 \tan \frac{\theta}{2}}\right)}{(1-r)^2 - (1+r)^2 \tan \frac{\theta}{2} \frac{y_0 - \tan \frac{\theta}{2}}{1 + y_0 \tan \frac{\theta}{2}}}\right) \\
&= \arctan\left(\frac{(1-r^2)\left(\tan \frac{\theta}{2}(1 + y_0 \tan \frac{\theta}{2}) + y_0 - \tan \frac{\theta}{2}\right)}{(1-r)^2(1 + y_0 \tan \frac{\theta}{2}) - (1+r)^2 \tan \frac{\theta}{2}(y_0 - \tan \frac{\theta}{2})}\right) \\
&= \arctan\left(\frac{(1-r^2)(\tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} + 1)y_0}{(r^2 + 1)(\tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} + 1) - 4ry_0 \tan \frac{\theta}{2} + 2r(\tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} - 1)}\right) \\
&= \arctan\left(\frac{(1-r^2) \sec^2 \frac{\theta}{2} y_0}{(r^2 + 1) \sec^2 \frac{\theta}{2} - 4ry_0 \tan \frac{\theta}{2} + 2r(\tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} - 1)}\right) \\
&= \arctan\left(\frac{(1-r^2)y_0}{r^2 + 1 - 4ry_0 \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \sin \frac{\theta}{2} - 2r(\cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} - \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2})}\right) \\
&= \arctan\left(\frac{(1-r^2)y_0}{r^2 + 1 - 2ry_0 \sin \theta - 2r \cos \theta}\right) \\
&= \arctan\left(\frac{(1-x^2-y^2)y_0}{x^2 + y^2 - 2y_0y - 2x + 1}\right) \\
&= \arctan\left(\frac{(1-x^2-y^2)y_0}{(x-1)^2 + (y-y_0)^2 - y_0^2}\right).
\end{aligned}$$

Consider the ratio

$$\frac{(1-x^2-y^2)y_0}{(x-1)^2 + (y-y_0)^2 - y_0^2}.$$

The numerator is zero on the unit circle and positive on the unit disk. On the other hand the denominator is zero on the circle of radius y_0 centred at $1 + y_0i$ and it is positive on the open disk of radius y_0 centred at $1 + y_0i$. The two circles intersect at 1 and the point $e^{2i\theta_0}$. Thus the ratio is positive and close to zero when r is close to one and $\theta \in (0, 2\theta_0)$ and the ratio is negative and close to zero when r is close to one and $\theta \in (2\theta_0, 2\pi)$.

It follows that $u(r, \theta)$ has the correct behaviour at the boundary.

5. If we let

$$I(\psi) = \int_0^\psi P_r(\phi - \theta) \, d\phi$$

then

$$\frac{\partial I}{\partial \psi} = P_r(\psi - \theta).$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{2\pi} P_r(\phi - \theta) \delta_h(\phi - \theta_0) \, d\phi &= 1/h \int_{\theta_0}^{\theta_0+h} P_r(\phi - \theta) \, d\phi \\ &= \frac{I(\theta_0 + h) - I(\theta_0)}{h} \\ &= P_r(c - \theta). \end{aligned}$$

for some $c \in (\theta_0, \theta_0 + h)$, where we applied the mean value theorem to get from line two to line three.

We have

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \int_0^{2\pi} P_r(\phi - \theta) \delta_h(\phi - \theta_0) \, d\phi &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} P_r(c - \theta) \\ &= P_r(\theta_0 - \theta) \\ &= P_r(\theta - \theta_0). \end{aligned}$$

6. (a) Note that

$$(ae^{i\theta})^n = a^n e^{ni\theta}.$$

It follows that

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a^n e^{ni\theta} = \frac{1}{1 - ae^{i\theta}}.$$

Taking the real part of both sides gives

$$\begin{aligned}
1 + 2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a^n \cos n\theta &= 2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a^n \cos n\theta - 1 \\
&= 2 \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{1}{1 - ae^{i\theta}} \right) - 1 \\
&= \left(\frac{1}{1 - ae^{i\theta}} + \frac{1}{1 - ae^{-i\theta}} \right) - 1 \\
&= \frac{1 - ae^{-i\theta} + 1 - ae^{i\theta}}{(1 - ae^{i\theta})(1 - ae^{-i\theta})} - 1 \\
&= \frac{2 - 2a \cos \theta}{1 - 2a \cos \theta + a^2} - 1 \\
&= \frac{1 - a^2}{1 - 2a \cos \theta + a^2}.
\end{aligned}$$

(b) We have

$$\begin{aligned}
P_r(\psi) &= \frac{1 - r^2}{1 - 2r \cos \theta + r^2} \\
&= 1 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} r^n \cos n\psi.
\end{aligned}$$

(c) Note that the series in (a) is given by a geometric series so that we have uniform convergence and we can compute the Poisson integral formula term by term

$$\begin{aligned}
u(r, \theta) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} P_r(\phi - \theta) h(e^{i\phi}) d\phi \\
&= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \left(1 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} r^n \cos n(\phi - \theta) \right) h(e^{i\phi}) d\phi \\
&= \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2r^n \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \cos n(\phi - \theta) h(e^{i\phi}) d\phi \\
&= \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2r^n \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (\cos n\phi \cos n\theta + \sin n\phi \sin n\theta) h(e^{i\phi}) d\phi \\
&= \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} r^n (a_n \cos n\theta + b_n \sin n\theta),
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} h(e^{i\phi}) \cos n\phi \, d\phi$$
$$b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} h(e^{i\phi}) \sin n\phi \, d\phi.$$

Challenge Problems: (Just for fun)